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### FCC RELEASES AGENDA FOR DECEMBER 4, 2007 DIGITAL TELEVISION CONSUMER EDUCATION WORKSHOP FOCUSING ON MINORITY AND NON-ENGLISH-SPEAKING COMMUNITIES

*Washington, DC* -- The Commission has released the agenda for its Digital Television Consumer Education Workshop focusing on minority and non-English-speaking communities to be held Tuesday, December 4, 2007, at FCC Headquarters, 445 12<sup>th</sup> St., S.W., Washington, DC, in the Commission Meeting Room. It will begin at 9:00 a.m. and end at 12:15 p.m.

The purpose of the Workshop is to provide an opportunity for interested parties to discuss the challenges associated with ensuring that minority communities and non-English-speakers receive and can act on information regarding the upcoming transition and to explore ways to develop coordinated consumer education activities. There will also be a demonstration of digital-to-analog converter boxes. An agenda for the Workshop is attached.

A live webcast of the Workshop will be available at the FCC's website at http://www.fcc.gov/realaudio/#dec4 on a first-come, first-served basis. During the Workshop, the public can e-mail questions for the panelists to dtvworkshop@fcc.gov.

Reasonable accommodations for people with disabilities are available upon request. Include a description of the accommodation you will need with as much detail as possible. Also include a way we can contact you if we need more information. Send an e-mail to fcc504@fcc.gov or call the Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau at (202) 418-0530 (voice), (202) 418-0432 (TTY).

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# AGENDA FOR FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION DIGITAL TELEVISION CONSUMER EDUCATION WORKSHOP FOCUSING ON MINORITY AND NON-ENGLISH-SPEAKING COMMUNITIES

## FCC Headquarters 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW, Washington, DC 20554 Commission Meeting Room

#### **December 4, 2007**

8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. Pre-Program Demonstrations of Digital-to-Analog

**Converter Boxes** 

9:00 a.m. – 9:15 a.m. Welcome

FCC Commissioner Deborah Taylor Tate

9:15 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. How to Reach Minority Communities and Non-English

**Speakers on the DTV Transition** 

Moderator: Cathy Seidel, Chief, FCC Consumer and

Governmental Affairs Bureau

Roundtable Participants:

Hilary Shelton, Director, Washington Bureau, NAACP

**Michael Sherman,** General Manager, KTSF (broadcasting Asian-language programming in the San Francisco television

market since 1976)

Brent Wilkes, National Executive Director, League of United

Latin American Citizens

10:30 a.m. - 10:45 a.m. Break

Attendees are encouraged to view the digital-to-analog

converter box demonstrations.

10:45 a.m. - 10:50 a.m. Greetings

FCC Commissioner Robert McDowell

10:50 a.m. – 12:05 p.m. How to Provide Support to Minority Communities and Non-English Speakers on the DTV Transition

<u>Moderator</u>: Cathy Seidel, Chief, FCC Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau

#### Roundtable Participants:

**Lisa Bland Malone**, Vice President, National Urban League Policy Institute

**Betty Valdés,** President, DC Chapter of REFORMA, the National Association to Promote Library and Information Services to Latinos and the Spanish-Speaking

**Daniel R. Wilson,** Executive Director of Policy and Program Development, The National Caucus and Center on Black Aged, Inc.

12:05p.m. – 12:15 p.m. Wrap Up

12:15 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. Demonstrations Continue